



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 8224**  
Toru SUZUKI et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2001\_0554A  
Serial No. 09/854,528 : Group Art Unit 1731  
Filed May 15, 2001 : Examiner John M. Hoffmann  
**ORIENTED SINTERED CERAMIC : Mail Stop RCE**  
**PRODUCT AND MANUFACTURING**  
**METHOD THEREOF**

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE  
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Sir:

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows: